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HIGHLIGHTS

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for North Carolina in July 1987 was 4.5 percent, unchanged from the month ago rate. From July a year ago, the rate dropped by four-tenths of one percent from 4.9. The national unemployment rate declined one-tenth of one percent from June 1987 to July 1987, from 6.1 percent to 6.0 percent. The 6.0 unemployment rate in July represented a one percent decrease from the July 1986 rate of 7.0.

The North Carolina civilian labor force, seasonally adjusted, stood at 3,322,000 in July 1987 for an increase of 30,000 (+0.9 percent) from the month ago total of 3,292,000. For the year, the civilian labor force grew from 3,213,000 in July 1986 for a percentage increase of 3.4.

The number of persons employed (seasonally adjusted) in North Carolina during July 1987 reached 3,171,000 for an increase of 28,000 (+0.9 percent) workers from a month ago. The employment total grew by 3.8 percent over the year, rising from 3,055,000 in July 1986 to 3,171,000 in July 1987. Unemployment also rose over the month as the number of jobless workers increased by 2,000 (+1.3 percent) from 149,000 in June to 151,000 in July. From a year ago, however, the number of unemployed persons decreased by 7,000 (-4.4 percent) from 158,000 in July 1986 to 151,000 in July 1987.

Industry employment, after seasonal adjustments, increased by 9,100 workers from June 1987 to July 1987. Manufacturing employment rose by 5,500 workers (+0.6 percent), while the number of workers in nomanufacturing grew by 3,600 (+0.2 percent). Over the month, the largest employment gains occurred in retail trade (+2,300), furniture (+1,700), textiles (+1,700), and construction (+1,500). From July 1986 to July 1987, industry employment saw a net increase of 101,400 as services gained 25,100 (+5.6 percent) and retail trade employment grew by 20,200. In manufacturing, the textile and furniture industries experienced increases of 8,700 and 5,900 workers, respectively, from July 1986 to July 1987.

Weeks claimed for unemployment benefits were up 4,906, rising from 33,679 in June 1987 to 38,285 in July 1987. Decreases in weeks claimed in manufacturing industries were reported only in food (-71) and in stone, clay and glass (-19). In the nonmanufacturing sector the only industry reporting a reduction in weeks claimed was construction (-262).

There was a total of 21,010 individuals placed in jobs through the Employment Security Commission during July 1987, an increase of more than 7,000 over the previous month. The largest number of placements was made in agriculture, forestry, fishery, and related occupations (+4,531) followed by service, except domestic, occupations (+3,018). Placements were highest in the services and government divisions, 3,760 and 2,429, respectively.

Production workers in manufacturing earned less per week than a month ago as losses occurred in most industries. Workers in most industries, however, earned more per hour with average weekly hours worked down from June 1987 to July 1987. Production workers, except those in the paper industries had higher hourly earnings in July 1987 than a year ago. Nonsupervisory workers in communications and public utilities, retail trade, and laundries and dry cleaners, earned more per week than a month ago, and average hourly earnings were up in all published nonmanufacturing industries.

In manufacturing, the number of production workers dropped from 673,300 in June 1987 to 671,500 in July 1987 for a net decrease of 1,800. Both the durable and nondurable goods, overall, lost production workers as only small gains occurred in fabricated metals (+100), food (+300), tobacco (+300), paper (+100), rubber (+300), and other durables (+100). From July 1986 manufacturing gained 18,000 production workers with most of the gains in textiles (+7,800) and furniture (+5,000).

Employment Status of the North Carolina Civilian Population

July 1987

(Numbers in Thousands)

Seasonally Adjusted	Reference Month: Previous Year	Time Series Data: February 1987 through July 1987					
	July 1986	Feb. 1987	Mar. 1987	Apr. 1987	May 1987	June 1987	July 1987
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	4,761	4,809	4,816	4,822	4,829	4,836	4,843
Civilian Labor Force	3,213	3,290	3,264	3,267	3,240	3,292	3,322
Participation Rate 1/	67.5	68.4	67.8	67.8	67.1	68.1	68.6
Employed	3,055	3,122	3,107	3,112	3,101	3,143	3,171
Employment-Population Ratio 2/	64.2	64.9	64.5	64.5	64.2	65.0	65.5
Unemployed	158	168	157	155	139	149	151
Unemployment Rate	4.9	5.1	4.8	4.7	4.3	4.5	4.5
Insured Unemployment Rate 3/	----	----	----	----	----	----	----

Not Seasonally Adjusted	Reference Month: Previous Year	Time Series Data: May 1987 through July 1987		
	July 1986	May 1987	June 1987	July 1987
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	4,761	4,829	4,836	4,843
Civilian Labor Force	3,276	3,250	3,316	3,389
Participation Rate 1/	68.8	67.3	68.6	70.0
Employed	3,108	3,114	3,155	3,229
Employment-Population Ratio 2/	65.3	64.5	65.2	66.7
Unemployment Rate	5.1	4.2	4.9	4.7
Insured Unemployment Rate 3/	1.8	1.3	1.3	INA*

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Employment Status of the United States Civilian Population

July 1987

(Numbers in Thousands)

Seasonally Adjusted	Reference Month: Previous Year	Time Series Data: February 1987 through July 1987					
	July 1986	Feb. 1987	Mar. 1987	Apr. 1987	May 1987	June 1987	July 1987
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	180,682	181,998	182,179	182,344	182,533	182,703	182,885
Civilian Labor Force	118,117	119,349	119,222	119,335	119,993	119,517	119,952
Participation Rate 1/	65.4	65.6	65.4	65.4	65.7	65.4	65.6
Employed	109,887	111,382	111,368	111,835	112,447	112,257	112,727
Employment-Population Ratio 2/	60.8	61.2	61.1	61.3	61.6	61.4	61.6
Unemployed	8,230	7,967	7,854	7,500	7,546	7,260	7,224
Unemployment Rate	7.0	6.7	6.6	6.3	6.3	6.1	6.0
Insured Unemployment Rate 3/	2.9	2.7	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.4	INA*

Not Seasonally Adjusted	Reference Month: Previous Year	Time Series Data: May 1987 through July 1987		
	July 1986	May 1987	June 1987	July 1987
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	180,682	182,533	182,703	182,885
Civilian Labor Force	120,303	119,695	121,153	122,105
Participation Rate 1/	66.6	65.6	66.3	66.8
Employed	111,832	112,377	113,498	114,652
Employment-Population Ratio 2/	61.9	61.6	62.1	62.7
Unemployed	8,471	7,318	7,655	7,453
Unemployment Rate	7.0	6.1	6.3	6.1
Insured Unemployment Rate 3/	2.7	2.3	2.2	INA*

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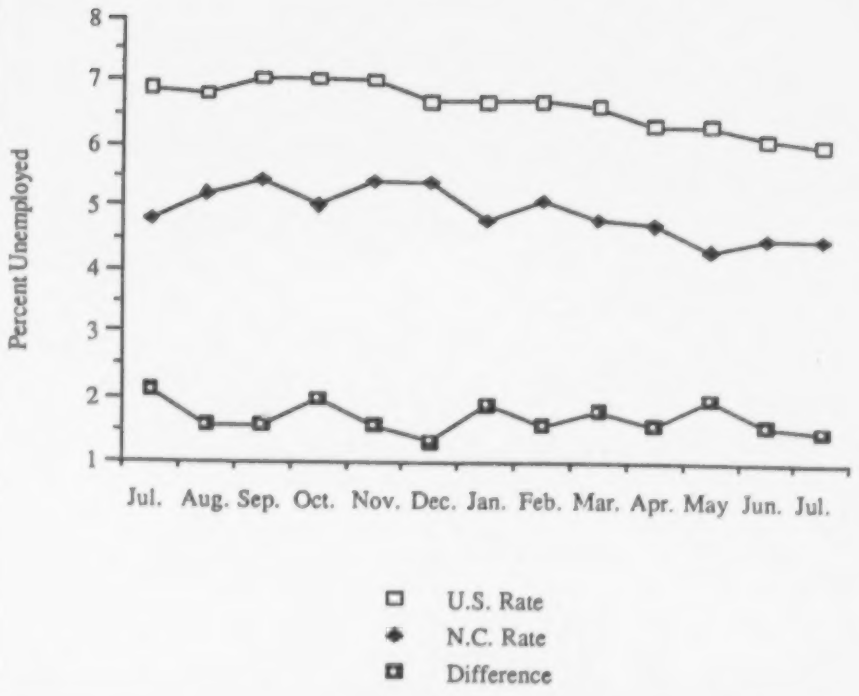

North Carolina Unemployment Rates

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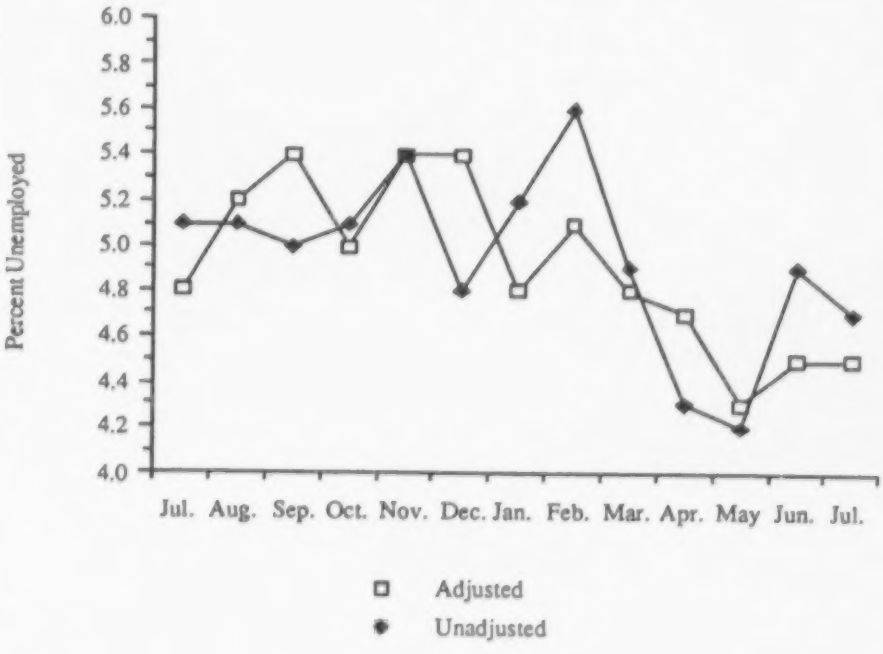

Industry Employment in North Carolina

July 1987 1/

(Seasonally Adjusted)

(Numbers in Thousands)

Classification	Total Employment			Change From:			
	July 1987	June* 1987	July* 1986	June 1987 Net	June 1987 Percent	July 1986 Net	July 1986 Percent
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)							
Civilian Labor Force 2/	3,389.5	3,316.2	3,275.9	+ 73.3	+ 2.2	+ 113.6	+ 3.5
Unemployment, Total	160.2	161.5	167.8	- 1.3	- 0.8	- 7.6	- 4.5
Percent of Civilian Labor Force	4.7	4.9	5.1	- 0.2	-----	- 0.4	-----
Employment, Total	3,229.3	3,154.7	3,108.1	+ 74.6	+ 2.4	+ 121.2	+ 3.9
(Seasonally Adjusted)							
Civilian Labor Force 2/	3,322.0	3,292.0	3,213.0	+ 30.0	+ 0.9	+ 109.0	+ 3.4
Unemployment, Total	151.0	149.0	158.0	+ 2.0	+ 1.3	- 7.0	- 4.4
Percent of Civilian Labor Force	4.5	4.5	4.9	0.0	-----	- 0.4	-----
Employment, Total	3,171.0	3,143.0	3,055.0	+ 28.0	+ 0.9	+ 116.0	+ 3.8
Total Nonagricultural Employment	2,830.0	2,820.9	2,728.6	+ 9.1	+ 0.3	+ 101.4	+ 3.7
Manufacturing	853.3	847.8	829.8	+ 5.5	+ 0.6	+ 23.5	+ 2.8
Durable Goods	345.9	343.6	335.4	+ 2.3	+ 0.7	+ 10.5	+ 3.1
Lumber & Wood Products	37.2	37.2	37.0	0.0	0.0	+ 0.2	+ 0.5
Furniture & Fixtures	89.6	87.9	83.7	+ 1.7	+ 1.9	+ 5.9	+ 7.0
Stone, Clay & Glass	21.6	21.6	20.1	0.0	0.0	+ 1.5	+ 7.5
Primary Metals	11.4	11.4	11.1	0.0	+ 0.0	+ 0.3	+ 2.7
Fabricated Metals	27.2	26.9	26.4	+ 0.3	+ 1.1	+ 0.8	+ 3.0
Machinery, exc. Electrical	57.0	57.0	56.1	0.0	0.0	+ 0.9	+ 1.6
Electrical Machinery	59.3	59.0	60.5	+ 0.3	+ 0.5	- 1.2	- 2.0
Transportation Equipment	25.3	25.2	23.5	+ 0.1	+ 0.4	+ 1.8	+ 7.7
Other Durable Goods	17.3	17.4	17.0	- 0.1	- 0.6	+ 0.3	+ 1.8

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6/ This category includes Self-employed workers, unpaid family workers and domestic workers in private households.

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Industry Employment in North Carolina

July 1987 1/

(Seasonally Adjusted)

(Numbers in Thousands)

Classification	Total Employment			Change From:			
	July 1987	June* 1987	July 1986	June 1987 Net	June 1987 Percent	July 1986 Net	July 1986 Percent
Nondurable Goods	507.4	504.2	494.4	+ 3.2	+ 0.6	+ 13.0	+ 2.6
Food & Kindred Products	47.3	47.1	46.6	+ 0.2	+ 0.4	+ 0.7	+ 1.5
Tobacco Manufacturers	25.2	24.7	26.1	+ 0.5	+ 2.0	- 0.9	- 3.4
Textile Mill Products	219.9	218.2	211.2	+ 1.7	+ 0.8	+ 8.7	+ 4.1
Apparel & Other Textile Products	91.3	91.3	89.1	0.0	0.0	+ 2.2	+ 2.5
Paper & Allied Products	22.2	22.1	21.8	+ 0.1	+ 0.5	+ 0.4	+ 1.8
Printing & Publishing	28.5	28.4	27.8	+ 0.1	+ 0.4	+ 0.7	+ 2.5
Chemicals & Allied Products	37.4	37.3	37.9	+ 0.1	+ 0.3	- 0.5	- 1.3
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	31.1	30.6	29.6	+ 0.5	+ 1.6	+ 1.5	+ 5.1
Other Nondurable Goods 4/	4.5	4.5	4.3	0.0	0.0	+ 0.2	+ 4.7
Nonmanufacturing	1,976.7	1,973.1	1,898.8	+ 3.6	+ 0.2	+ 77.9	+ 4.1
Mining	4.8	4.8	4.7	0.0	0.0	+ 0.1	+ 2.1
Construction	166.4	164.9	156.5	+ 1.5	+ 0.9	+ 9.9	+ 6.3
Transportation & Public Utilities	135.0	135.0	134.0	0.0	0.0	+ 1.0	+ 0.7
Transportation, exc. Railroad	74.2	74.2	72.8	0.0	0.0	+ 1.4	+ 1.9
Comm. & Elec., Gas & San. Ser.	57.0	57.0	56.7	0.0	0.0	+ 0.3	+ 0.5
Wholesale & Retail Trade	631.0	629.1	608.4	+ 1.9	+ 0.3	+ 22.6	+ 3.7
Wholesale Trade	145.2	145.6	142.8	- 0.4	- 0.3	+ 2.4	+ 1.7
Retail Trade	485.8	483.5	465.6	+ 2.3	+ 0.5	+ 20.2	+ 4.3
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	127.7	126.9	119.0	+ 0.8	+ 0.6	+ 8.7	+ 7.3
Service & Miscellaneous 5/	476.7	475.3	451.6	+ 1.4	+ 0.3	+ 25.1	+ 5.6
Total Government	435.1	437.1	424.6	- 2.0	- 0.5	+ 10.5	+ 2.5
Federal	52.1	52.2	51.3	- 0.1	- 0.2	+ 0.8	+ 1.6
State	126.6	126.0	124.4	+ 0.6	+ 0.5	+ 2.2	+ 1.8
Local	256.4	258.9	248.9	- 2.5	- 1.0	+ 7.5	+ 3.0
All Other Nonag. Employment 6/	262.8	259.3	255.8	+ 3.5	+ 1.3	+ 7.0	+ 2.7
Agriculture	97.8	68.9	105.1	+ 28.9	+ 41.9	- 7.3	- 6.9

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Composition of Nonagricultural Employment in North Carolina

July 1987

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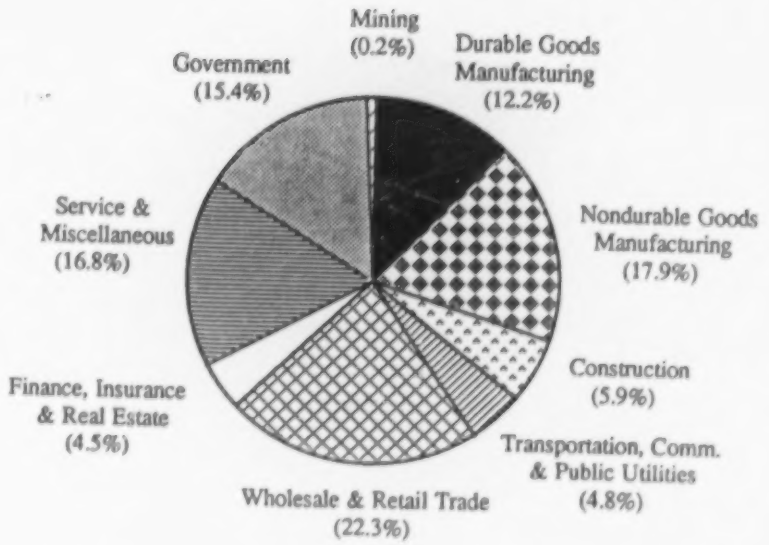

Employment Levels in Major Manufacturing Industries in North Carolina

July 1987

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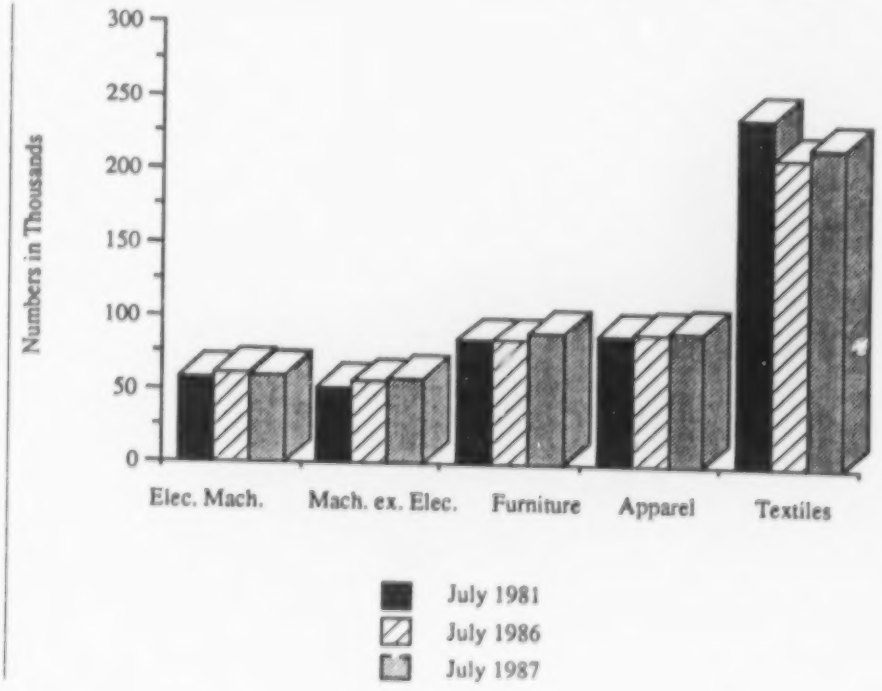

Insured Unemployment in North Carolina: Claims Taking Activities by Major Industry Sector 1/

July 1987

Industry of Primary Attachment	Insured Employment	Weeks Claimed: Weekly Total	% of Insured Employment	Change From Previous Month: Numerical	Change From Previous Month: Percent
Total All Industries	2,657,545	38,285	1.4	+ 4,609	+ 13.7
Manufacturing Total	831,493	18,212	2.2	+ 3,612	+ 24.7
Food Products	47,390	603	1.3	- 71	- 10.5
Tobacco	24,719	1,237	5.0	+ 72	+ 6.2
Textile Products	214,680	4,502	2.1	+ 999	+ 28.5
Apparel Products	85,076	3,717	4.4	+ 595	+ 19.1
Lumber and Wood	38,228	805	2.1	+ 35	+ 4.5
Furniture and Fixtures	85,009	1,942	2.3	+ 914	+ 88.9
Paper and Allied	21,815	178	0.8	+ 31	+ 21.1
Printing and Publishing	27,852	336	1.2	+ 88	+ 35.5
Chemicals and Allied	38,628	298	0.8	+ 69	+ 30.1
Rubber and Plastics	30,983	450	1.5	+ 1	+ 0.2
Leather Products	3,605	78	2.2	+ 19	+ 32.2
Stone, Clay and Glass	20,161	214	1.1	- 19	- 8.2
Primary and Fabricated Metals	37,158	626	1.7	+ 48	+ 8.3
Nonelectrical Machinery	56,534	899	1.6	+ 240	+ 36.4
Electrical and Electronic Machinery	58,567	1,362	2.3	+ 312	+ 29.7
Transportation Equipment	23,462	605	2.6	+ 247	+ 69.0
Other Manufacturing 2/	17,626	360	2.0	+ 32	+ 9.8
Construction	155,163	3,526	2.3	- 262	- 6.9
Transportation, Comm. and Utilities	128,967	986	0.8	+ 19	+ 2.0
Trade	617,141	5,553	0.9	+ 83	+ 1.5
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	116,860	728	0.6	+ 43	+ 6.3
Services	413,778	3,145	0.8	+ 108	+ 3.6
State Government	111,848	688	0.6	+ 78	+ 12.8
Local Government	253,428	1,310	0.5	+ 195	+ 17.5
Other 3/	-----	4,137	---	+ 733	+ 21.5

1/ These include new and additional claims. Additional claims are claims which are reopened during the course of an established benefit year.

2/ "Other Manufacturing" includes Petroleum Refining, Instruments and Miscellaneous Manufacturing.

3/ "Other" includes persons who filed but did not establish a benefit year due to insufficient industry attachment and/or the lack of determination of industry attachment; it also includes Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Mining industry employees.

Individuals Placed in Jobs by the Employment Security Commission Occupational Categories and Industrial Divisions

July 1987 1/*

Occupational Categories and Divisions	Total Individuals Placed 2/	Total Individuals Placed In Regular Jobs 2/, 3/	Agriculture, Forestry & Fishery	Mining	Construction
Total	21,010	18,347	2,076	6	1,617
Professional, Technical & Managerial Occupations	476	474	3	0	5
Clerical Occupations	1,887	1,859	9	0	34
Sales Occupations	450	438	0	0	0
Domestic Service Occupations	193	136	1	0	1
Other Service Occupations	3,018	2,998	5	0	20
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishery & Related Occupations	4,531	2,394	1,965	0	6
Processing Occupations	1,580	1,454	32	0	2
Machine Trade Occupations	1,813	1,800	12	1	45
Benchwork Occupations	2,461	2,449	6	0	8
Structural Work Occupations	2,192	2,121	16	2	1,423
Motor Freight & Transportation Occupations	296	270	5	2	32
Packaging & Materials Handling Occupations	2,434	2,176	23	0	45
Miscellaneous Occupations	60	60	0	1	1

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July 1987 1/*

Manufacturing	Transportation & Utilities	Wholesale & Retail Trade	Finance, Insurance &	Services	Public Administration	Government
7,118	384	2,202	167	3,760	1,216	2,429
40	8	43	15	179	181	277
208	123	459	92	661	278	661
16	7	352	7	55	1	5
0	0	0	2	94	38	41
115	22	837	19	1,491	498	934
18	9	7	21	231	140	333
1,359	1	46	1	16	0	1
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2,115	1	24	0	298	0	0
378	15	40	9	194	55	60
39	61	85	1	33	12	10
1,286	119	268	0	441	5	85
27	10	2	0	10	9	15

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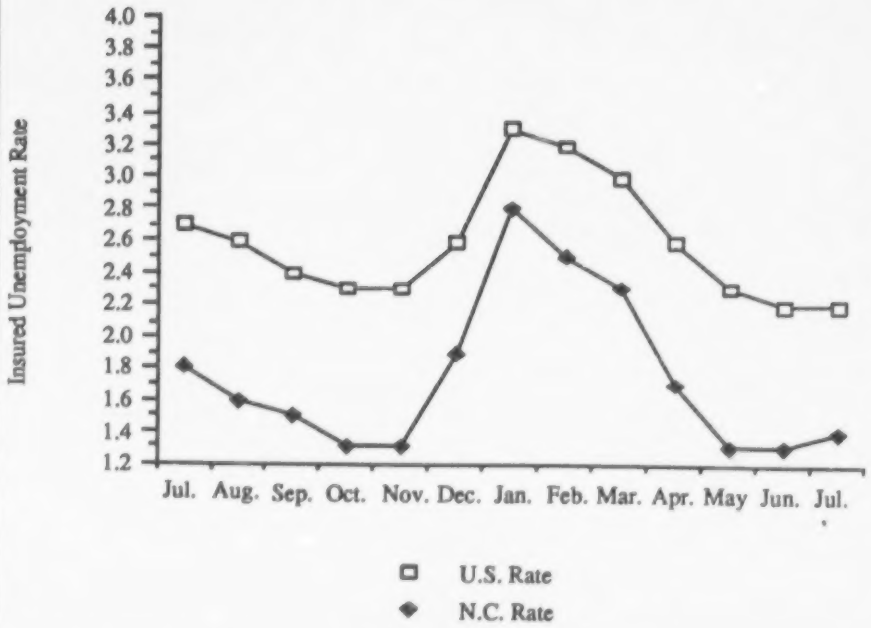

Individuals Placed in Jobs through the Employment Security Commission by Major Industrial Category

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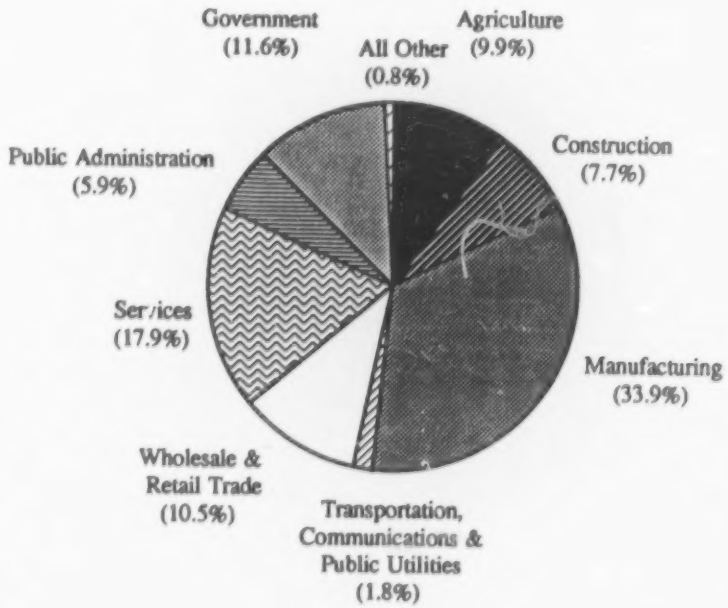

APPENDIX

Detailed Industry Employment (not seasonally adjusted) in North Carolina

Production Workers in Selected Manufacturing Industries in North Carolina

Average Weekly Earnings, Hours and Hourly Earnings of Selected Production and Non-Supervisory Workers in North Carolina

Detailed Industry Employment (not seasonally adjusted) in North Carolina July 1987 1/ (Numbers in Thousands)

Industry	Total Employment July 1987	Total Employment June* 1987	Total Employment July 1986	Percent Change From: June 1987	Percent Change From: July 1986
Total Nonagricultural Employment	2,795.0	2,840.9	2,694.3	- 1.6	+ 3.7
Manufacturing	848.7	850.7	825.7	- 0.2	+ 2.8
Durable Goods	344.4	344.8	334.2	- 0.1	+ 3.1
Lumber and Wood Products	37.6	37.8	37.4	- 0.5	+ 0.5
Furniture and Fixtures	87.7	87.7	81.9	0.0	+ 7.1
Stone, Clay, and Glass Products	21.8	21.8	20.3	0.0	+ 7.4
Primary Metal Industries	11.5	11.4	11.2	+ 0.9	+ 2.7
Fabricated Metal Products	27.2	27.0	26.4	+ 0.7	+ 3.0
Machinery, exc. Electrical	56.9	57.0	56.0	- 0.2	+ 1.6
Electrical and Electronic Equipment	59.2	59.1	60.5	+ 0.2	- 2.1
Transportation Equipment	25.5	25.5	23.7	0.0	+ 7.6
Other Durable Goods 2/	17.1	17.3	16.8	- 1.2	+ 1.8
Nondurable Goods	504.3	505.9	491.5	- 0.3	+ 2.6
Food and Kindred Products	48.2	47.7	47.5	+ 1.0	+ 1.5
Tobacco Manufacturers	23.6	23.3	24.5	+ 1.3	- 3.7
Textile Mill Products	218.4	219.7	209.8	- 0.6	+ 4.1
Apparel and Other Textile Products	90.6	91.5	88.4	- 1.0	+ 2.5
Paper and Allied Products	22.2	22.2	21.8	0.0	+ 1.8
Printing and Publishing	28.1	28.3	27.4	- 0.7	+ 2.6
Chemicals and Allied Products	37.4	37.6	37.9	- 0.5	- 1.3
Rubber and Misc. Plastics Products	31.4	31.2	29.9	+ 0.6	+ 5.0
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.5	4.5	4.3	0.0	+ 4.7
Nonmanufacturing	1,946.3	1,990.1	1,868.6	- 2.2	+ 4.2
Mining	4.9	4.9	4.8	0.0	+ 2.1
Construction	172.4	169.4	162.2	+ 1.8	+ 6.3
Transportation and Public Utilities	135.3	135.4	134.2	- 0.1	+ 0.8
Transportation, exc. Railroad	73.8	74.0	72.5	- 0.3	+ 1.8
Comm. and Electric, Gas, and San. Ser.	57.4	57.3	57.1	+ 0.2	+ 0.5
Wholesale and Retail Trade	633.0	629.8	610.4	+ 0.5	+ 3.7
Wholesale Trade	145.7	144.8	143.2	+ 0.6	+ 1.7
Retail Trade	487.3	485.0	467.2	+ 0.5	+ 4.3
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	129.4	128.3	120.5	+ 0.9	+ 7.4
Service and Miscellaneous 4/	483.4	479.1	458.2	+ 0.9	+ 5.5
Hotels and Other Lodging Places	28.9	28.8	28.7	+ 0.3	+ 0.7
Total Government	387.8	443.2	378.3	- 12.5	+ 2.5
Federal	52.5	52.4	51.7	+ 0.2	+ 1.5
State	114.7	122.4	112.6	- 6.3	+ 1.9
Local	220.7	268.4	214.0	- 17.8	+ 3.1

* Revised.

1/ Data for the current month are preliminary.

2/ This category includes Instruments & Related Products and Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries.

3/ This category includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ This category includes Services, except Domestic, Agricultural Services; Forestry and Fisheries.

Production Workers in Selected Manufacturing Industries in North Carolina

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(Numbers in Thousands)

Industry	Number of Production Workers			Percent Change From:	
	July 1987	June* 1987	July 1986	June 1987	July 1986
Manufacturing	671.5	673.3	653.5	- 0.3	+ 2.8
Durable Goods	259.2	259.6	252.3	- 0.2	+ 2.7
Lumber and Wood Products	32.0	32.1	31.9	- 0.3	+ 0.3
Furniture and Fixtures	76.6	76.7	71.6	- 0.1	+ 7.0
Stone, Clay, and Glass Products	17.6	17.6	16.4	0.0	+ 7.3
Primary Metal Industries	8.4	8.4	8.3	0.0	+ 1.2
Fabricated Metal Products	20.3	20.2	19.7	+ 0.5	+ 3.0
Machinery, exc. Electrical	28.4	28.6	28.5	- 0.7	- 0.4
Electrical and Electronic Equipment	42.5	42.6	44.1	- 0.2	- 3.6
Transportation Equipment	20.6	20.7	19.1	- 0.5	+ 7.9
Nondurable Goods	412.3	413.7	401.2	- 0.3	+ 2.8
Food and Kindred Products	34.2	33.9	33.8	+ 0.9	+ 1.2
Tobacco Manufacturers	17.8	17.5	18.5	+ 1.7	- 3.8
Textile Mill Products	193.1	194.2	185.3	- 0.6	+ 4.2
Apparel and Other Textile Products	79.0	79.7	77.4	- 0.9	+ 2.1
Paper and Allied Products	16.8	16.7	16.3	+ 0.6	+ 3.1
Printing and Publishing	17.4	17.6	16.8	- 1.1	+ 3.6
Chemicals and Allied Products	24.4	24.6	25.0	- 0.8	- 2.4
Rubber and Misc. Plastics Products	25.9	25.6	24.5	+ 1.2	+ 5.7
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	3.8	3.7	3.6	+ 2.7	+ 5.6

* Revised.

1/ Data for the current month are preliminary.

2/ This category includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

Table 6

Average Earnings and Hours in North Carolina 1/

July 1987 2/

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Jul. 1987	Jun.* 1987	Jul.* 1986	Jul. 1987	Jun.* 1987	Jul.* 1986	Jul. 1987	Jun.* 1987	Jul.* 1986
MANUFACTURING	$317.09	$324.53	$301.55	40.6	41.5	40.1	$ 7.81	$ 7.82	$ 7.52
DURABLE GOODS	329.67	332.88	310.80	40.6	41.3	40.0	8.12	8.06	7.77
Lumber & Wood Products	278.07	283.86	267.15	40.3	41.5	40.6	6.90	6.84	6.58
Furniture & Fixtures	274.89	281.64	258.00	38.5	39.5	37.5	7.14	7.13	6.88
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	385.80	374.88	350.28	43.3	42.6	41.9	8.91	8.80	8.36
Primary Metal Industries	395.17	401.88	351.14	43.0	43.4	40.5	9.19	9.26	8.67
Fabricated Metal Industries	368.21	366.27	337.71	41.7	42.1	40.3	8.83	8.70	8.38
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	374.48	384.09	351.82	42.7	43.4	41.1	8.77	8.85	8.56
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	365.72	367.57	351.44	40.5	41.3	41.2	9.03	8.90	8.53
Transportation Equipment	371.85	368.49	346.86	42.4	42.6	41.0	8.77	8.65	8.46
NONDURABLE GOODS	308.97	319.07	295.47	40.6	41.6	40.2	7.61	7.67	7.35
Food & Kindred Products	269.88	274.31	279.20	39.0	39.3	40.7	6.92	6.98	6.86
Tobacco Manufacturers	531.00	651.42	514.62	33.8	39.6	35.4	15.71	16.45	15.52
Textile Mill Products	289.38	297.39	272.41	42.0	43.1	41.4	6.89	6.90	6.58
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	203.74	207.13	193.21	37.8	38.5	37.3	5.39	5.38	5.18
Paper & Allied Products	488.19	497.06	500.83	44.1	44.7	44.4	11.07	11.12	11.28
Printing & Publishing	354.25	352.34	338.63	39.1	39.5	38.7	9.06	8.92	8.75
Chemicals & Allied Products	437.84	449.52	409.36	42.1	43.6	41.1	10.40	10.31	9.96
Plastics & Synthetics	483.91	498.17	466.04	42.9	44.4	42.6	11.28	11.22	10.94
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Prod.	412.25	411.20	371.28	42.5	42.7	40.4	9.70	9.63	9.19
MINING	402.23	408.90	383.64	46.5	47.0	46.9	8.65	8.70	8.18
COMM. & ELEC., GAS & SANITARY SERVICES	520.20	518.64	497.70	42.5	42.2	42.0	12.24	12.29	11.85
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	212.83	210.90	207.70	33.1	32.8	33.5	6.43	6.43	6.20
Wholesale Trade	335.96	336.84	325.17	39.9	40.1	39.8	8.42	8.40	8.17
Retail Trade	179.66	177.37	174.98	31.3	30.9	31.7	5.74	5.74	5.52
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	140.48	142.62	144.15	29.7	29.9	31.0	4.73	4.77	4.65

* Revised.

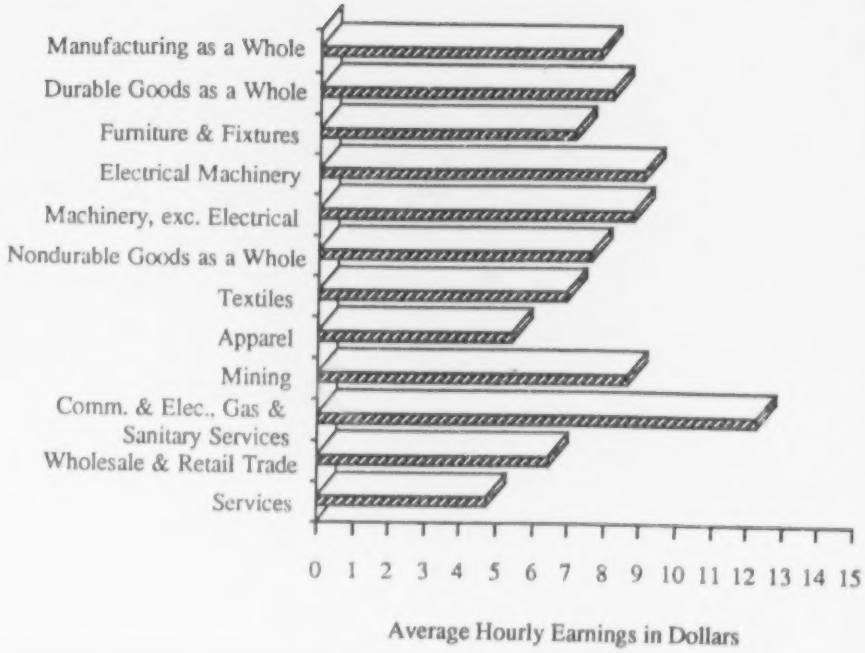
1/ These data pertain to production workers in selected manufacturing industries and non-supervisory employees in selected nonmanufacturing industries.

2/ Data for the current month are preliminary.

Figure 16

Average Hourly Earnings by Major Industry Sectors in North Carolina

July 1987


Manufacturing as a Whole
Durable Goods as a Whole
Furniture & Fixtures
Electrical Machinery
Machinery, exc. Electrical
Nondurable Goods as a Whole
Textiles
Apparel
Mining
Comm. & Elec., Gas & Sanitary Services
Wholesale & Retail Trade
Services
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Average Hourly Earnings in Dollars

Figure 17

Average Hourly Earnings in Durable Goods Industries Compared to the North Carolina Average

July 1987